

Resources Group, Meeting Notes

Tuesday 26 August 2025 7:30

Attending: Dave, Emma, Helen, Ian, Kate (notes), Rosie (chair)

Apologies: Anne, Martin

1. Spokes stalls (Kate)

Upcoming: TSB sustainability event 27/8/25, Public Meeting 2/9/25 and Cycling Scotland conference 10/9/25

The payment device, powerpack and display board will be handed over at the public meeting

Possible: Big Bike Night, Summerhall, Friday 26/9/25

2. Office (Anne) no input

3. Cargo bike grants update (Rosie)

Grant of £2k paid to Dunbar Private Nursery – she hasn't been in touch about whether she has bought the bike as yet.

Grant of £1750 offered to David King, a self-employed cycle courier.

4. Constitution/ Spokes becoming a SCIO (Ian)

Some negative responses to Ian's email regarding trustees and draft constitution. No prospective trustees have yet come forward. Ian to attend Planning and Maps meetings to address reservations and explain trustee role – strategic role, forward-thinking, not too onerous. [Members have been consulted at an AGM in June 2015](#). It would be good to have another one either online or combined with a public meeting. Recruit trustees from key working groups, advertise among members and by invitation (Susan Boyack, Phil Noble)

5. Social media: this month's highlights (Rosie/Dave)

Facebook – ScotRail poster about bikes on trains – 67 reactions, 41 comments, 9 shares;

Cyclist who got compensation after a driver cut him off so he crashed into a bollard – Cycle Law handling his case – 72 reactions, 18 comments, 2 shares

BlueSky – ETRO council discussion

Scotsman article on dualling of trunk roads with no mention of rail or sustainability

6. Maps Update – (Anne/Dave/Ian) West Lothian map now at printers and due at end of September. Launch special offer of map for £7 including postage (RRP £7.50)

100 old maps need to find homes. Dave put 10 beside the canal with info about the new map – all went within 3 hours.

7. Public Meeting (Ian/Emma) All volunteers organised. Starting 15 minutes earlier than usual. Ian has link to film and will check it works in situ earlier on the day. Order of play: Showing of film, brief announcements, organisation to share ideas for increasing use of cargo bikes in Edinburgh and Lothians and finally Q&A (chair Ben Seven or Chas Booth?)

8. Traffic Count (DavedF) November count date set 11/11/25. Guy has been invited to advise East Lothian Council who are planning their own count.

9. Competition (DavedF) Only 7 entries so far. Dave has emailed all previous winners to encourage more entries. Deadline can be extended. Dave still to contact external judge. Judging won't take place until late September or early October.

10. Dan Abrahams funding (Ian M) Spokes donated £1,000 and filming will take place between 19 and 21 September. Dan to contact with details for extras needed.

11. AOB

e-bike factsheet update – widely welcomed and would be good to promote before the details of any certification system are agreed and finalised. Ian to look into endorsements to add weight to any certification and to identify bike shops who could be part of scheme.

12. Date for next meeting: Tuesday 23 September